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House Bill 534

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To authorize the assessment and collection of a technology fee by the Probate Court of
- 2 Upson County; to identify the authorized uses of such technology fee; to provide for the
- 3 termination of such technology fee and dedication of residual funds to technology uses; to
- 4 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 (a) The clerk of the Probate Court of Upson County is hereby authorized to charge and
- 8 collect a technology fee to be set by the judge of the probate court in an amount not to exceed
- 9 \$5.00 for the filing of each civil action with the court and not to exceed \$5.00 as a surcharge
- 10 upon each fine assessed by the court. Such technology fees shall be used exclusively to
- 11 provide for technological needs of the Probate Court of Upson County. Such uses shall
- include only the following:
- 13 (1) Computer hardware and software purchases;
- 14 (2) Lease, maintenance, and installation of computer hardware; and
- 15 (3) Purchase, lease, maintenance, and installation of imaging, scanning, facsimile,
- 16 communications, projection, and printing equipment and software.
- 17 (b) Funds collected pursuant to this section shall be maintained in a segregated account by
- 18 the clerk of the probate court and shall be used only for the purposes authorized in this
- 19 section.
- 20 (c) The authority to assess a technology fee pursuant to this section shall terminate on July 1,
- 21 2029, and any residual funds remaining in the fund established by this section shall remain
- 22 dedicated to general Upson County technology uses.

SECTION 2.

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.